

IN THE

UNITED STATES

PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

BRAVEN, Helen and KEAY,

Russell

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE

ACTION MAILED 10/18/2006

CASE:

ATLAS 8095 US

SERIAL NO.:

10/506,958

FILED ON:

05/02/2005

FOR:

Nucleic Acid Probes, Their

Synthesis and Use

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXAMINER: Pohnert, S.C.

ART UNIT: 1634

Dear Sir:

This is a request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on 18th October 2006. Applicant hereby request the Commissioner a four (4) month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Office Action thereby allowing Applicants until 18th March 2007 to respond.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to debit Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194 in the sum of \$1,590, being the fee for a (4) four-month extension of time to respond to the instant Office Action.

If the Commissioner finds any additional charges or fees must be paid in connection with this communication, they may be paid out of Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 16th, 2007

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	Complete if Known							
Fees pursuant to the	Application Number 10/506,95			8				
I FEE	Filing Date	2nd May, 2005						
	First Named Inventor BRAVEN, Helen							
	Examiner Name POHNE			T, S.C.				
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27				Art Unit 1634				
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 2,340		2,340	Attorney Docket	No.	ATLAS-8095 US			
METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)								
Check Credit Card Money Order None Other (please identify):								
Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-3194 Deposit Account Name: Bell & Associates								
For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)								
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FEE CALCULATION								
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES								
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Application T	ype Fee	Small E (\$) Fee		Small Entity \$) Fee (\$)	Fee (\$			Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100)	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	5	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80)	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300)	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	()	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES Small Entity								
Fee Description Fee (5) Fee (5)								
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)								100
Each independent claim over 5 (including Reissues)								180
Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) Multiple Dependent Claims								
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HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.								
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer								
listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50								
sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). Total Sheets Extra Sheets Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)								
4. OTHER FEE(S) Fees Paid (\$)								
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount) Other (a.g., late filing surcharge): Retition for Extension of time to respond fourth month (\$1.590)								
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